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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination and is in response to the Final Office Action dated June 23, 2006, which set a three-month period for reply. A two month extension of time is respectfully requested, and the appropriate fee is enclosed, thereby extending the date for response from September 23, 2006 to November 23, 2006.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this Amendment.